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PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

February 25, 2008

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan, Chairman 

SUBJECT: Approval of Request to Change Name of Berrien County Intermediate School District to Berrien Regional Education Service Agency

Section 380.604 of the Revised School Code requires that an Intermediate Board of Education obtain the approval of the State Board of Education prior to adopting a distinctive name:

Sec. 604. An intermediate school district is a body corporate governed by an intermediate school board, to be known as "the intermediate school board of the intermediate school district of the county (or counties) of _____," and under the name may sue or be sued. The intermediate school board may choose a distinctive name for the intermediate school district if approval is given by the state board.

A letter dated February 14, 2008, has been received from the Superintendent of the Berrien County Intermediate School District to change its name to "Berrien Regional Education Service Agency." A copy of the letter of request is attached.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education approve the request of the Berrien County Intermediate School District to change its name to Berrien Regional Education Service Agency, as described in the Superintendent's memorandum dated February 25, 2008.

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February 14, 2008

Mr. Michael Flanagan, Superintendent of Public Instruction
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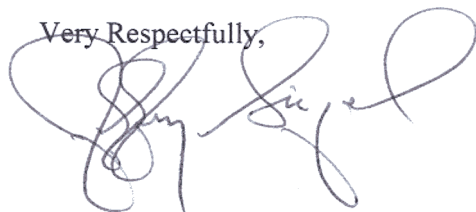
Dear Superintendent Flanagan:

On behalf of the Board of Education, I am requesting that the Michigan State Board of Education approve the name change of the Berrien County Intermediate School District (BCISD) to the **Berrien Regional Education Service Agency (Berrien RESA)** effective July 1, 2008.

On February 13, 2008, the Board of Education of the Berrien County Intermediate School District approved a resolution to change the name of the Berrien County ISD to the **Berrien Regional Education Service Agency** pending State Board approval. Please see attached resolution.

Thank you for your time in this matter and please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

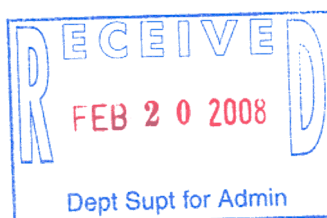
Very Respectfully,



Jeffrey Siegel
Superintendent

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Attachment
CC: BCISD Board of Education



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Berrien County Intermediate School District

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Berrien County Intermediate School District was held in Conference Room D of said District on the 13th day of February, 2008 at 5:45 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Sharon Kalling, President.

Present: Cathy Bair, Thomas Fanning, Sharon Kalling and J. Allene Smith

Absent: Linda Holt

The following resolution was offered by Thomas Fanning and supported by Cathy Bair:

WHEREAS:

- 1 Pursuant to Section 604 of the Revised School Code, this Board of Education may choose a distinctive name for this Intermediate School District if approval is given by the State Board of Education.
2. This Board of Education is of the opinion that changing the name of this District to ***Berrien Regional Education Service Agency*** more adequately describes this District's role and mission as an educational agency that markets and delivers cost-effective services on an area-wide basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. This Board of Education hereby changes the name of this Intermediate School District to: ***Berrien Regional Education Service Agency*** (commonly referred to as ***Berrien RESA***). Upon State Board approval, this Intermediate School District shall be known as the ***Berrien Regional Education Service Agency*** effective July 1, 2008.
2. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded.

Ayes: Cathy Bair, Thomas Fanning, Sharon Kalling and J. Allene Smith

Nays: None

Resolution declared adopted pending State Board of Education approval.